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**ASIA'S LARGEST, MOST REVOLUTIONARY CRUISE SHIP  
QUANTUM OF THE SEAS TO HOMEPORT IN SINGAPORE IN 2019-2020**

*Royal Caribbean Deepens Commitment to the Region with 30 percent Capacity Increase and Ship Revitalisation*



*Quantum of the Seas at Marina Bay Cruise Centre Singapore in 2015.*

**SINGAPORE, 9 APRIL 2018:** Royal Caribbean International today announced that its Asia's largest and most revolutionary ship, *Quantum of the Seas*, will be back in Singapore for a six-month homeporting season in 2019 to 2020 – the cruise line's longest ever Singapore deployment for a Quantum Class ship.

The announcement with this ship which redefined cruising in Asia in terms of size and innovative amenities, reaffirms Royal Caribbean's confidence in Singapore as the region's leading cruising gateway, and its commitment to grow its cruise offerings in Singapore and the region.

Over her 34 sailings during the six months from November 2019 to April 2020, *Quantum of the Seas* is expected to add some 150,000 guests to the Singapore cruising scene. With this 18-deck high, 168,666 gross registered ton ship which can carry 4,905 guests in total, Royal Caribbean will increase its capacity in Singapore by 30 percent.

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Her itineraries include 4-night cruises to Penang or Phuket, 5-night cruises to Kuala Lumpur (Port Klang), Penang and Phuket, a 7-night cruise to Kuala Lumpur (Port Klang), Penang and Phuket (with an overnight) and a 7-night cruise to Bangkok (Laem Chabang) (with an overnight) and Ho Chi Minh City.

*Quantum of the Seas* will also be revitalised prior to her return to Singapore. The multi-million dollar project will see the ship refreshed and upgraded to provide the best of the next-generation cruise experience for guests in this region.

President and CEO of Royal Caribbean International, Mr. Michael Bayley, said that the commitment to bring in bigger and better ships like *Quantum of the Seas* demonstrates Royal Caribbean's confidence in the region to continue experiencing record-breaking growth.

"The Asian cruise market has seen tremendous growth over the last few years, and Singapore has been leading growth as one of the most significant cruise destinations and cruise source markets in the region," said Mr. Bayley.

He added, "In response to the strong demand from Singapore and the region, we have decided to bring in longer cruises for *Quantum of the Seas*' return. The season will feature cruises starting from four nights and the first ever 7-night round trip cruises on a Quantum Class ship here. With this ground-breaking itinerary design for the Asian cruise market, our guests will get the opportunity to enjoy a more comprehensive Quantum Class experience and take in more of what this amazing ship has to offer."

Mr Yap Chin Siang, Assistant Chief Executive, Policy and Planning Group, Singapore Tourism Board, said, "We are pleased to welcome the new and improved *Quantum of the Seas* to Singapore. The *Quantum*'s upcoming deployment is a strong endorsement from Royal Caribbean International, our trusted industry partner, of Singapore's status as Southeast Asia's homeport of choice. The *Quantum of the Seas* will be a key addition to Singapore's vibrant and diverse line-up of cruise offerings, catering to the strong demand for cruising from Singapore."

The smart ship *Quantum of the Seas* currently offer the 'North Star', an observation capsule that rises 92 metres over the ocean; 'Two70' – a hi-tech entertainment venue; cocktails served by robots at the 'Bionic Bar'; skydiving and surfing experiences; and 'SeaPlex', the largest indoor activity space at sea – housing a basketball court, roller-skating, bumper cars and more.

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The ship also boasts 18 restaurant venues with cuisines from around the globe, including imaginative cuisine at Wonderland and Jamie's Italian by celebrity chef Jamie Oliver.

#### **About Royal Caribbean International**

Royal Caribbean International is an award-winning global cruise brand with a 49-year legacy of innovation and introducing industry "firsts" never before seen at sea. The cruise line features an expansive and unmatched array of features and amenities only found on Royal Caribbean including, jaw-dropping, Broadway-style entertainment and industry-acclaimed programming that appeals to families and adventurous vacationers alike. On board, guests are catered to with the cruise line's world-renowned friendly and engaging Gold Anchor Service by every staff and crew member. Royal Caribbean has been voted "Best Cruise Line Overall" for 15 consecutive years in the Travel Weekly Readers Choice Awards and named the "Best Cruise Operator" for 10 consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards as well as "Best Cruise Line" at the Travel Weekly Asia's Reader's Choice Awards since 2015.

The cruise line sails 25 of the world's most innovative cruise ships to the most popular destinations in Bermuda and the Caribbean, Europe, Canada and New England, Alaska, South America, Asia, and Australia and New Zealand.

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